



Kaylie Myers

Class Three Teacher

Born and raised in rural Alberta, Edmonton has always been my home. I grew up climbing trees, picking raspberries, riding horses, and gazing at prairie sunsets. Autumn was reserved for the frenzy of harvest and winter was spent digging snow forts and begging for sleigh rides. Spring brought the lilac blossoms and long awaited mud puddles, and summers were spent splashing around in the pool and volunteering at a summer camp with my grandma. During my later teen years, I had the opportunity to travel to Cambodia, Thailand, and India on a humanitarian trip; where I fell in love with the expression of culture, tradition, and different worldviews. I recognized early on my desire to work with people and worked with a variety of demographics in a variety of different settings trying to find a place where my passion for people collided with my desire for a purpose-driven life.

Prior to my arrival at the WISE, I completed an undergrad in Behavioural Science from Ambrose University in Calgary and continued on to receive my Bachelor of Education in 2020 from the same institution. During my degree, I worked with CanLearn Society-an organization who delivers specialized instruction to struggling readers. I had no idea what I was looking for in a school community until I found the WISE in 2021. I started teaching as a complete newcomer to Waldorf pedagogy and quickly fell in love with the focus on vibrant imagination and holistic learning. The education is rigorous, but it's filled with meaning and intention and disguises itself as play. Who knew work could be so much fun and bring so much joy! I am continually blown away by the layers of thoughtful consideration that goes into each activity and decision and have found my personal life to also be enriched through being a part of this community.

Much to my husband's dismay, I enjoy spending my free time experimenting with cultural cuisine (he's more of a burger and fries guy). I love planning events and bringing people together through food and entertainment. I enjoy perusing little cafes with friends filled with heartfelt conversations, and little rushes of adrenaline through spontaneous adventures (skydiving, cliff jumping, playing jumbo backyard jenga). An active lifestyle is integral to my well-being. Lately, you can likely find me with a sore arm under a pile of sanding dust as my husband and I are working on restoring our 100+ year old home; or, if I'm lucky, you may find me sitting with my dog Nacho on the porch swing watching our funny little chickens.